

Amendments

In the Specification:

Substitute the paragraph beginning on page 6, line 10, with the following paragraph:

As a filler, calcium oxalate is applied in amounts of about 0.1 to 90%, preferably about 1 to 80% of the dry matter, and as a pigment it can be applied at about 1 to 100 g/m² for each side of the web. Preferably the calcium oxalate proportion of the entire amount of pigments and fillers is about 10 to 100, in particular 10 to 95%. The total content of calcium oxalate can be over 85% of the dry matter of the paper.

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Substitute the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 31, to page 8, line 13, with the following paragraph:

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Calcium oxalate can be formulated into suitable coating colours. In the present invention "coating colour" means a composition designed for the coating or surfacing of paper or board, containing water and components known per se, such as pigments, binding agent and a component regulating the viscosity (a thickening agent). In addition to calcium oxalate, the following pigments can be used: calcium carbonate, calcium sulphate, aluminum silicate, kaolin (aluminum silicate containing crystallization water), aluminum hydroxide, magnesium silicate, talc (magnesium silicate containing crystallization water), titanium oxide, silica, and barium sulphate and mixtures of these. Also synthetic pigments may be employed. Primary pigments of those mentioned above are calcium oxalate, kaolin and/or calcium carbonate, usually amounting to over 50% of the dry matter of the coating composition. Calcinated kaolin, titanium oxide, precipitated carbonate, satin white,